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## Extreme Scale Computing and Biosurveillance Abstract

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Trivelpiece Panel Report, January 2010

Our goal for the presentation is to add a new perspective to the Biosurveillance community of how Data-Intensive Computing or Super-Computing approach can contribute to Biosurveillance. No matter through high quality images, quantifying the data error for analysis, qualifying visual error for visualization, intelligent sampling designs to provide more information on less data, in-situ & storage-based sampling-based data reduction and more, these will all benefit the Biosurveillance community in future development and enhance U.S. competitiveness in technology.

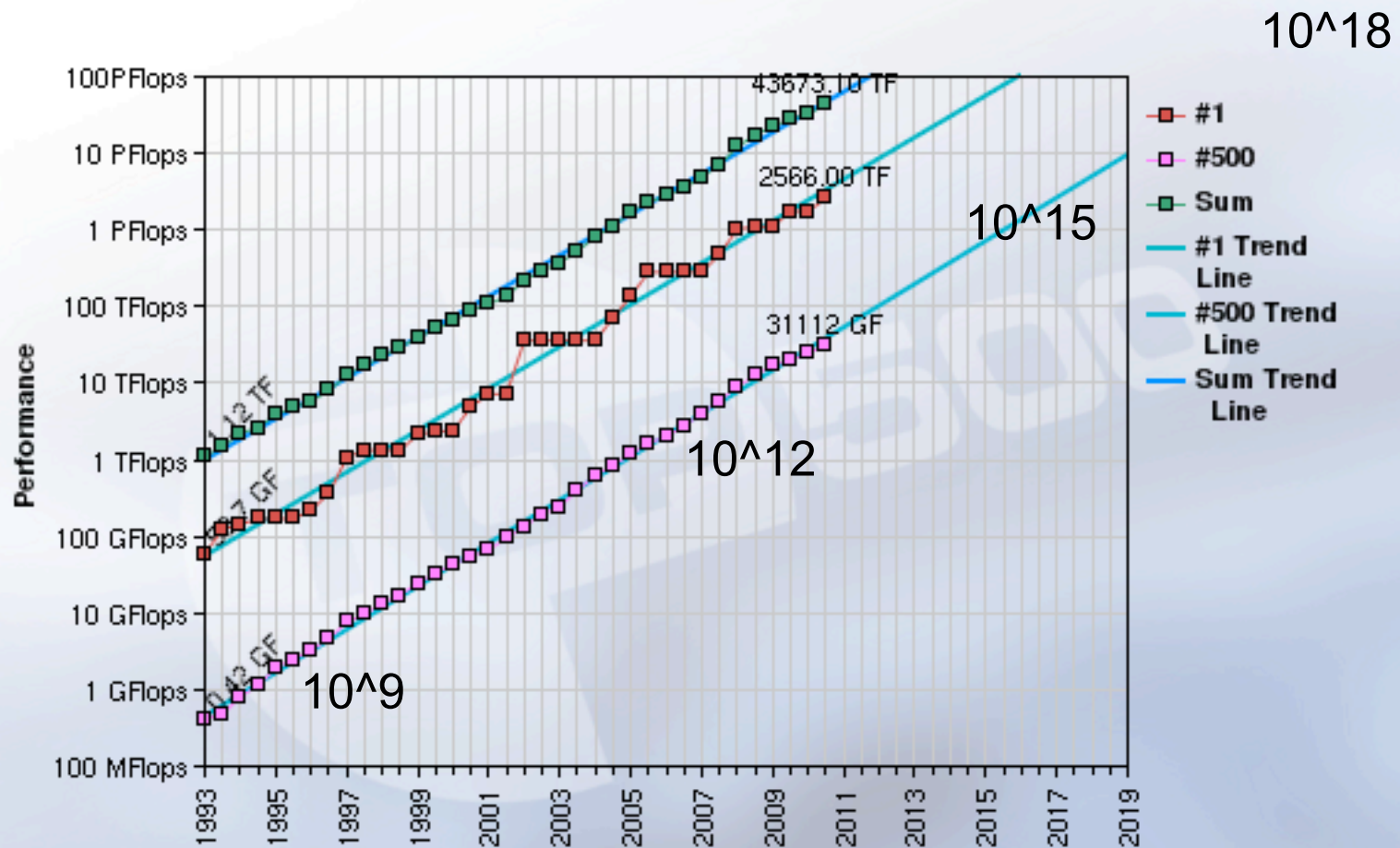
# Extreme Scale Computing and Biosurveillance

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Panel V: Global Biosurveillance Information Science and  
Technology  
January 2011

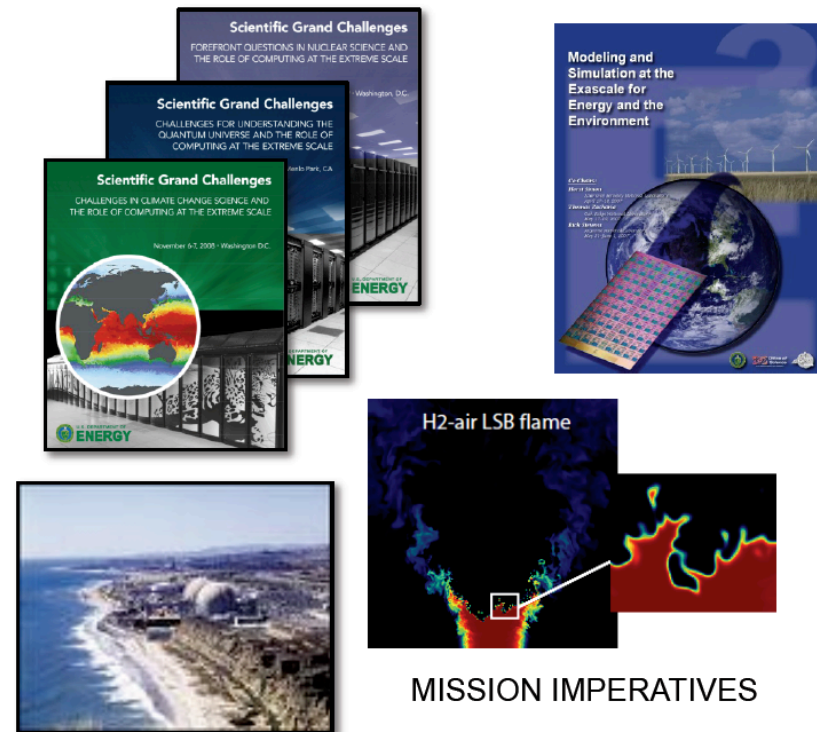
## Projected Performance Development





# Exascale Applications and Technology

- **Town Hall Meetings April-June 2007**
- **Scientific Grand Challenges Workshops November 2008 – October 2009**
  - Climate Science (11/08),
  - High Energy Physics (12/08),
  - Nuclear Physics (1/09),
  - Fusion Energy (3/09),
  - Nuclear Energy (5/09) (with NE)
  - Biology (8/09),
  - Material Science and Chemistry (8/09),
  - National Security (10/09) (with NNSA)
- **Cross-cutting workshops**
  - Architecture and Technology (12/09)
  - Architecture, Applied Mathematics and Computer Science (2/10)
- **Meetings with industry (8/09, 11/09)**
- **External Panels**
  - ASCAC Exascale Charge (FACA)
  - **Trivelpiece Panel**



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# Exascale Report: National Security

## Science of Nonproliferation (similar to biosurveillance requirements)

- Gather input
  - Build, design and interpret data from sensors
  - Uncertainty quantification
- Model problem
  - Proliferation process simulation
- Aggregate simulation results and observations
  - Data integration
- **Analyze results**
  - **Information exploration and analysis**
    - **Analyst in the loop**
    - Automated
      - Statistics and machine learning for detecting rare and anomalous behavior

# Bovine Tuberculosis

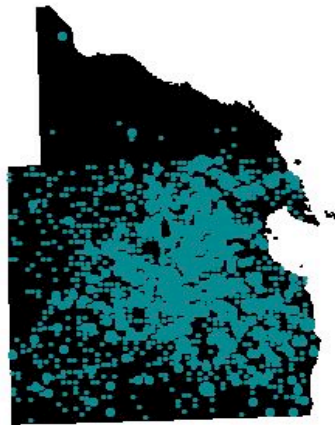
- Spread through the exchange of respiratory secretions.
- Minimal biosecurity at farms, having high density of cattle. Deer can wander in.
- TB can survive on feed for many days in a range of temperatures.
- Hunt clubs can create conditions leading to high density of deer.
- Lab experimentation expensive, requiring Biosafety 3 level labs suitable for wildlife.
- Because of this, details on species-specific susceptibilities not well understood.



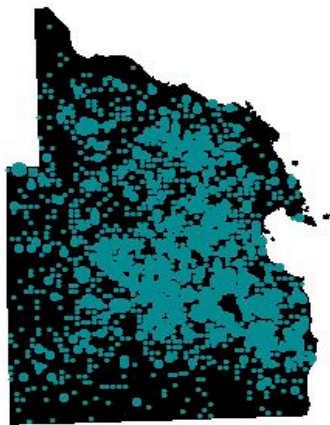


# Required hunting reports

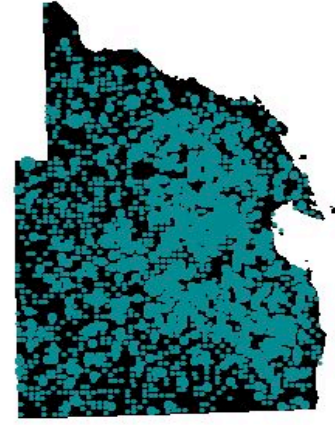
Deer kill location accurate to 1 square mile



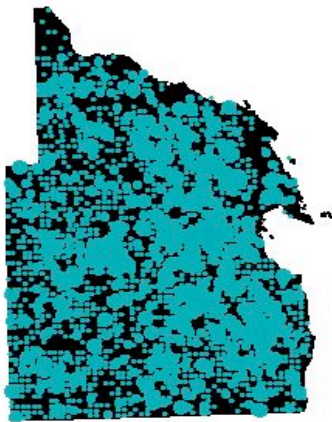
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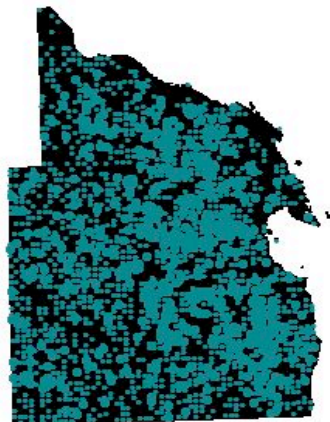
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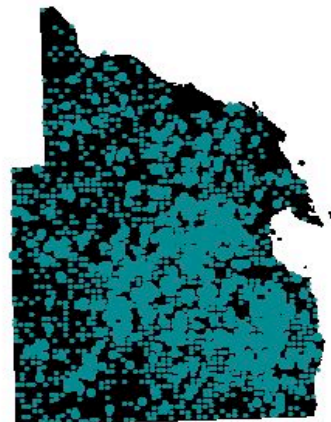
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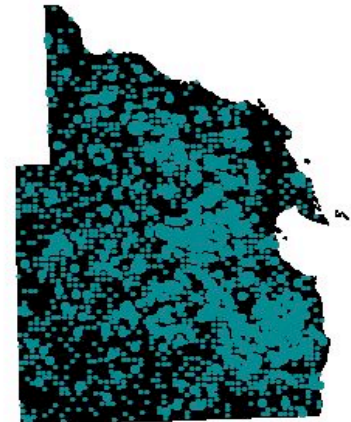
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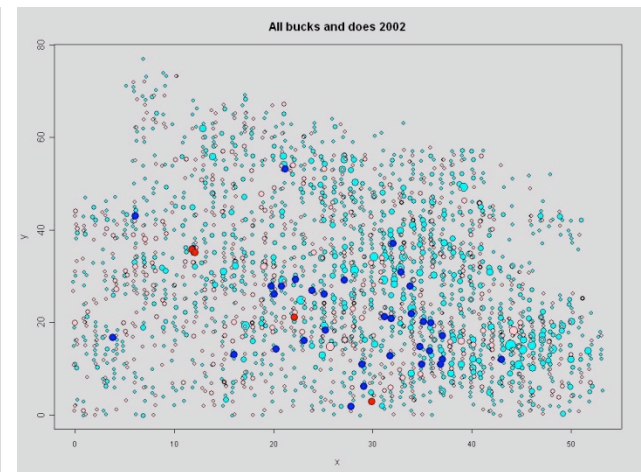
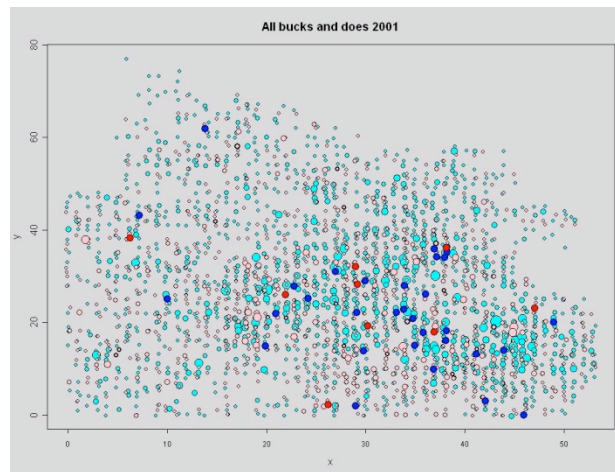
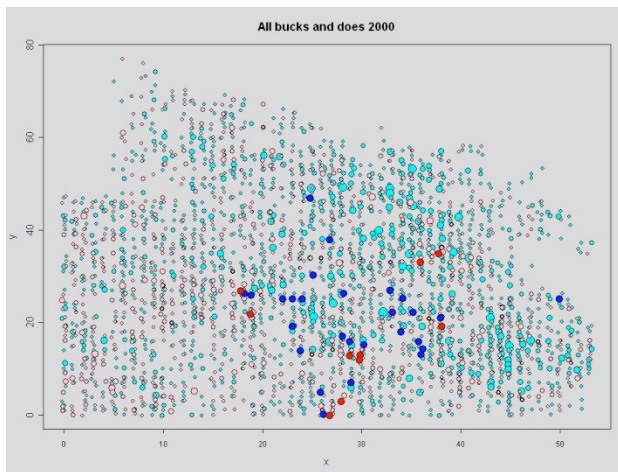
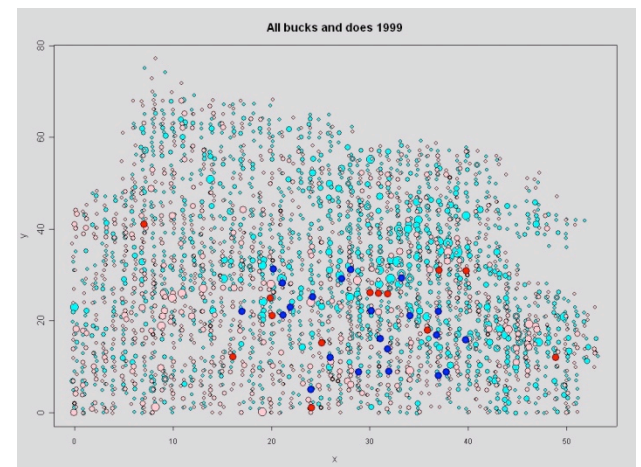
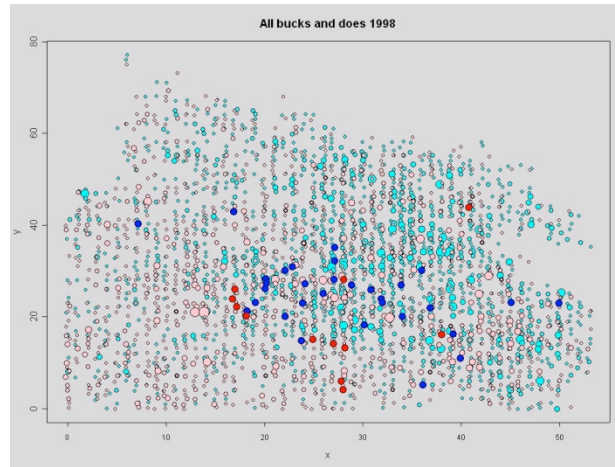
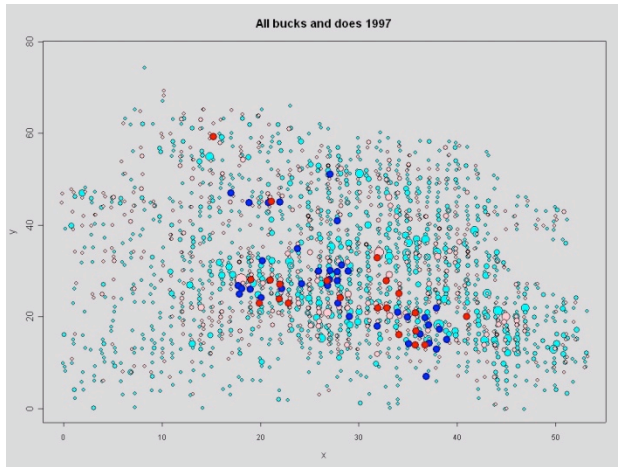
2001 Firearm Harvest



2002 Firearm Harvest

# Tests on harvested deer fields prevalence maps of TB

TB+ buck  
TB+ doe  
TB- buck  
TB- doe





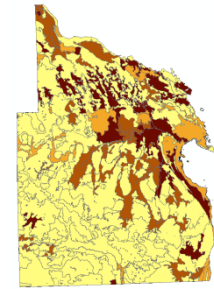
# Image processing from satellite data yields a deer's view of the landscape

USGS 30 meter  
land-use codes

Deer habitat  
shape data

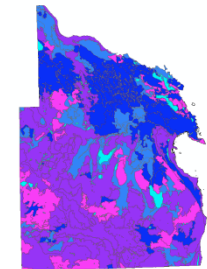
Thermal  
Cover

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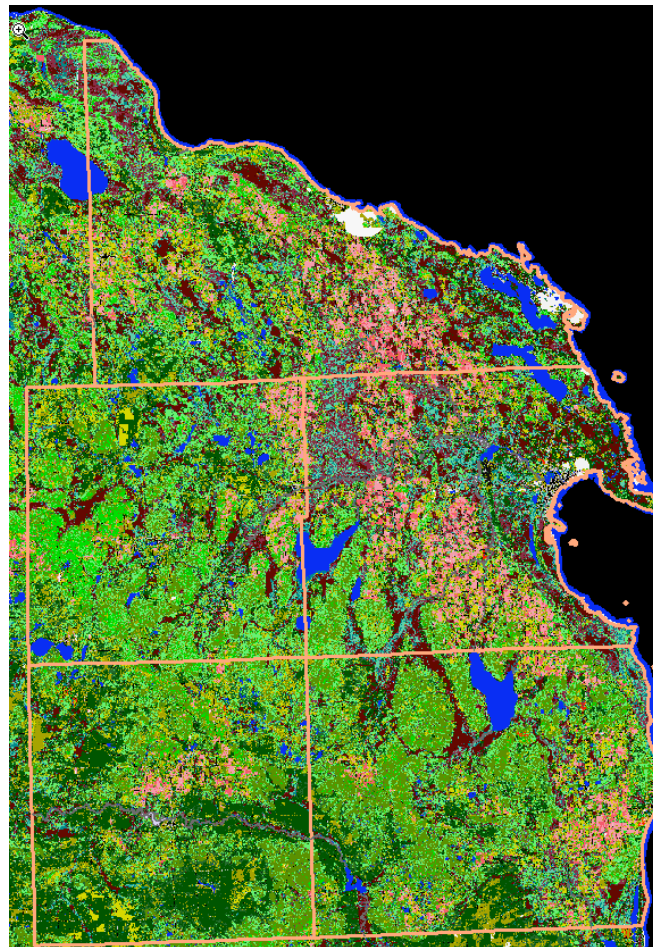
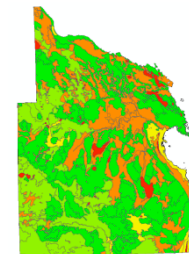
Fall/Winter  
Habitat

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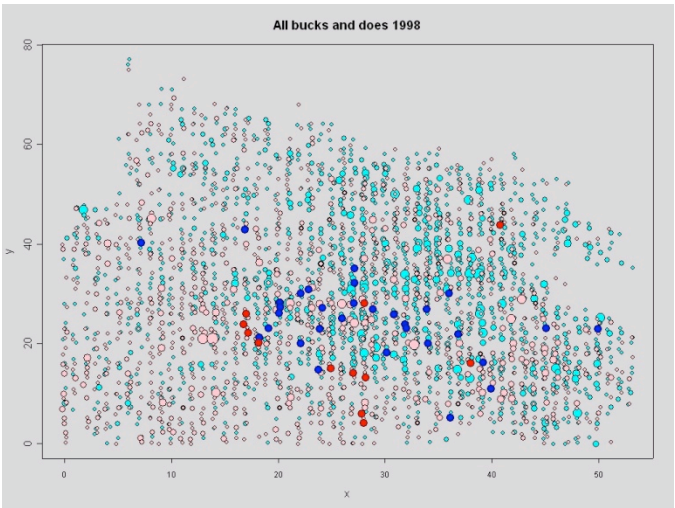
Spring/Summer  
Habitat

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# Populate the agent simulation

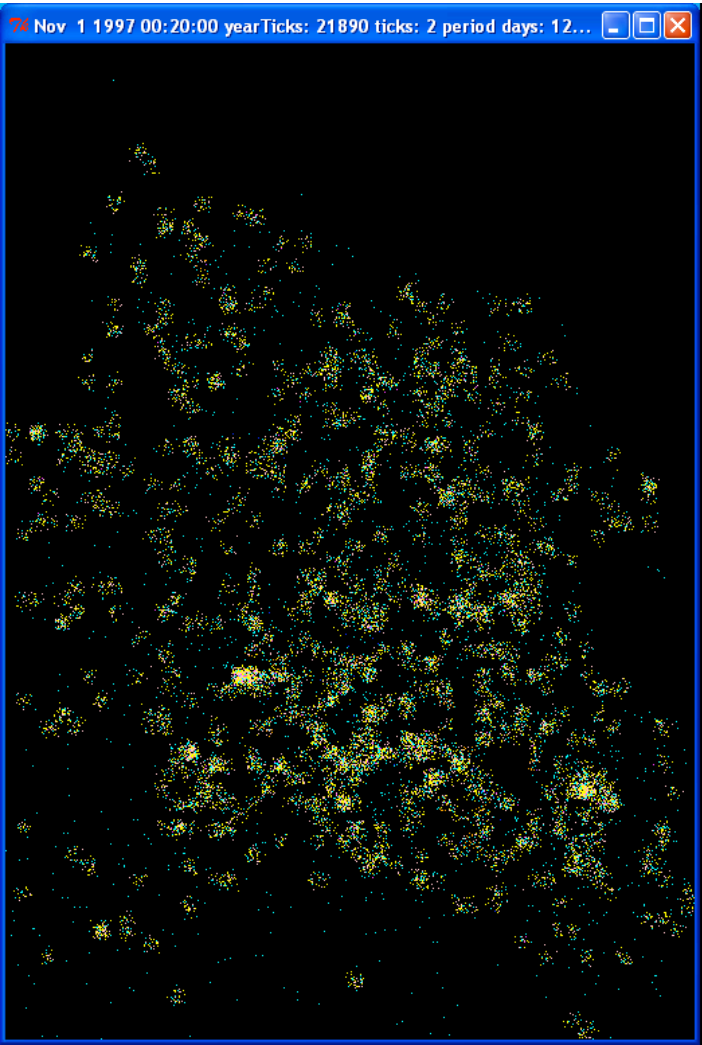
Harvest density data  
(location, age, sex, TB +/-)

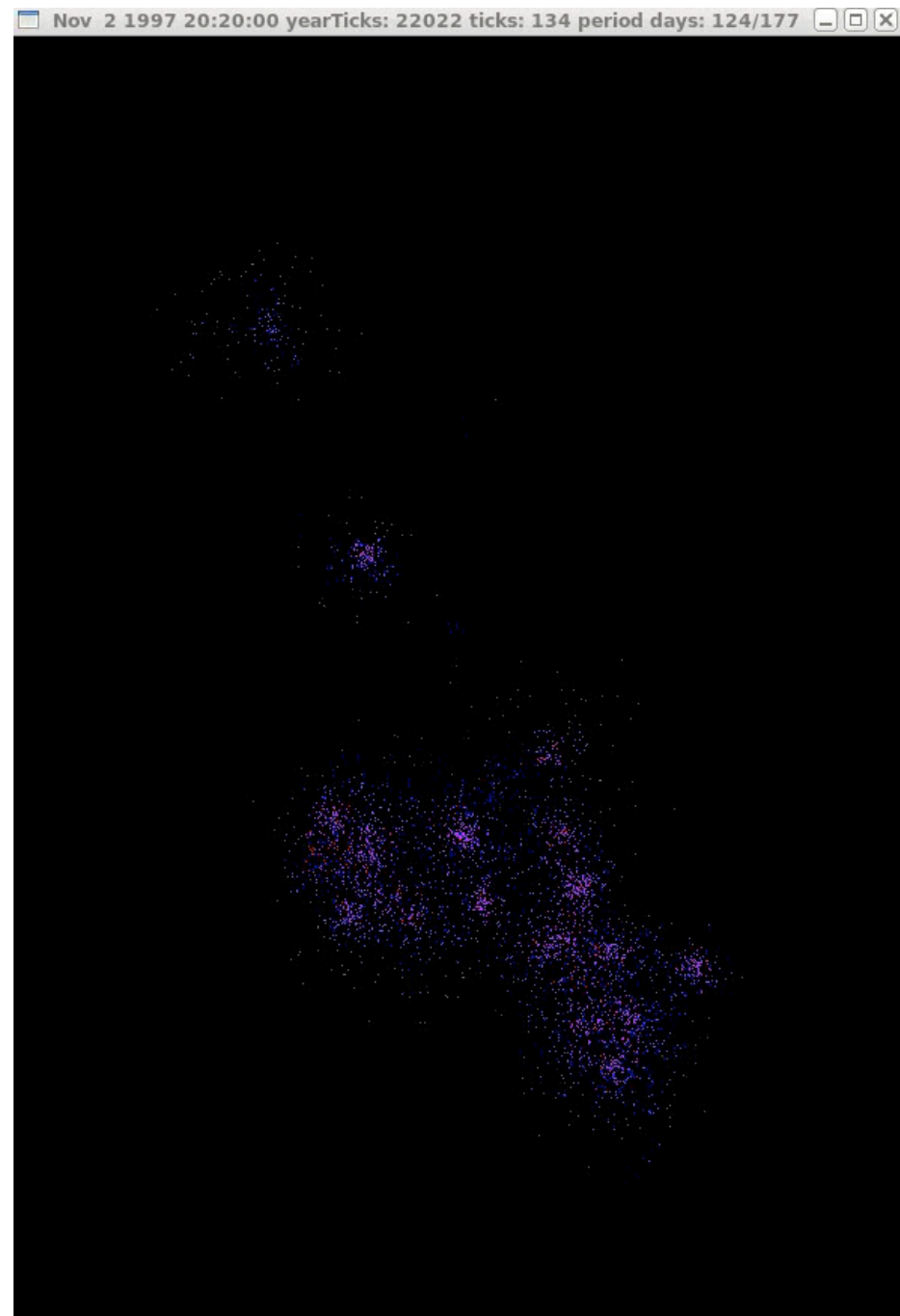
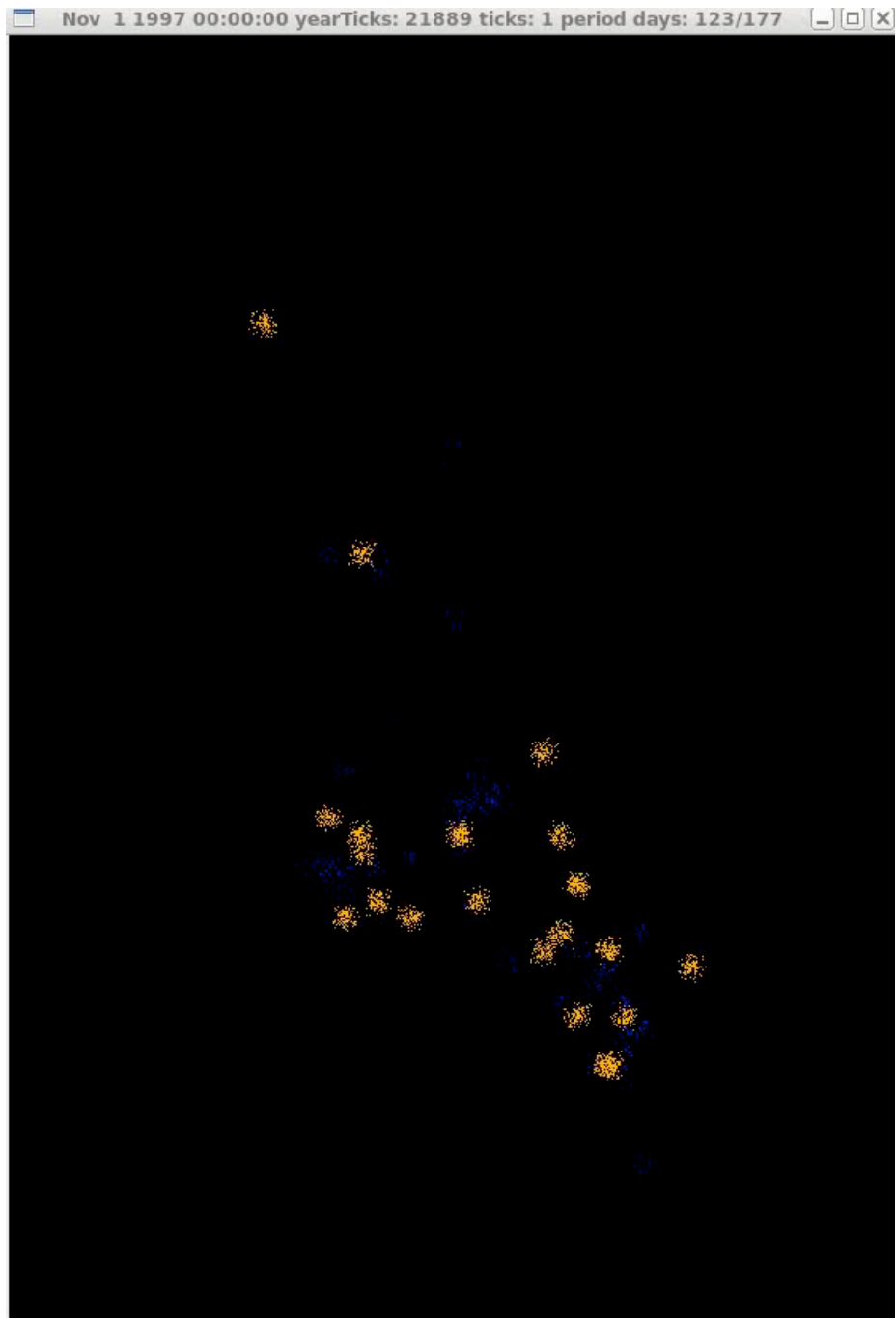


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	Yearling Buck	Yearling Doe	Adult Buck	Adult Doe
1997	10	171	10	100
1998	11	180	14	120
1999	12	150	12	110
2000	13	140	20	140
2001	12	120	8	150
2002	11	110	10	160

Spatially explicit estimate of true popula





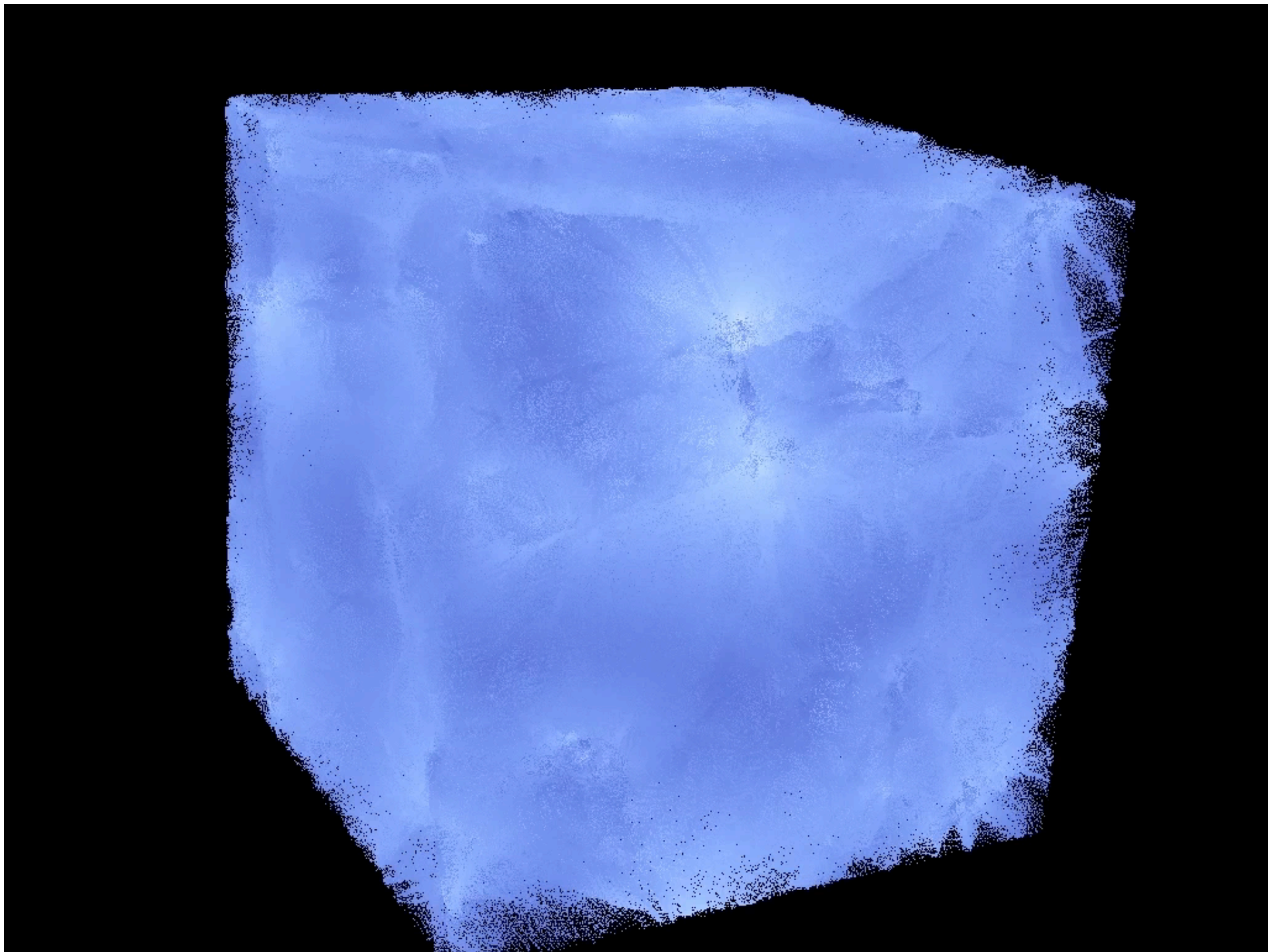


# Exascale data analysis capability

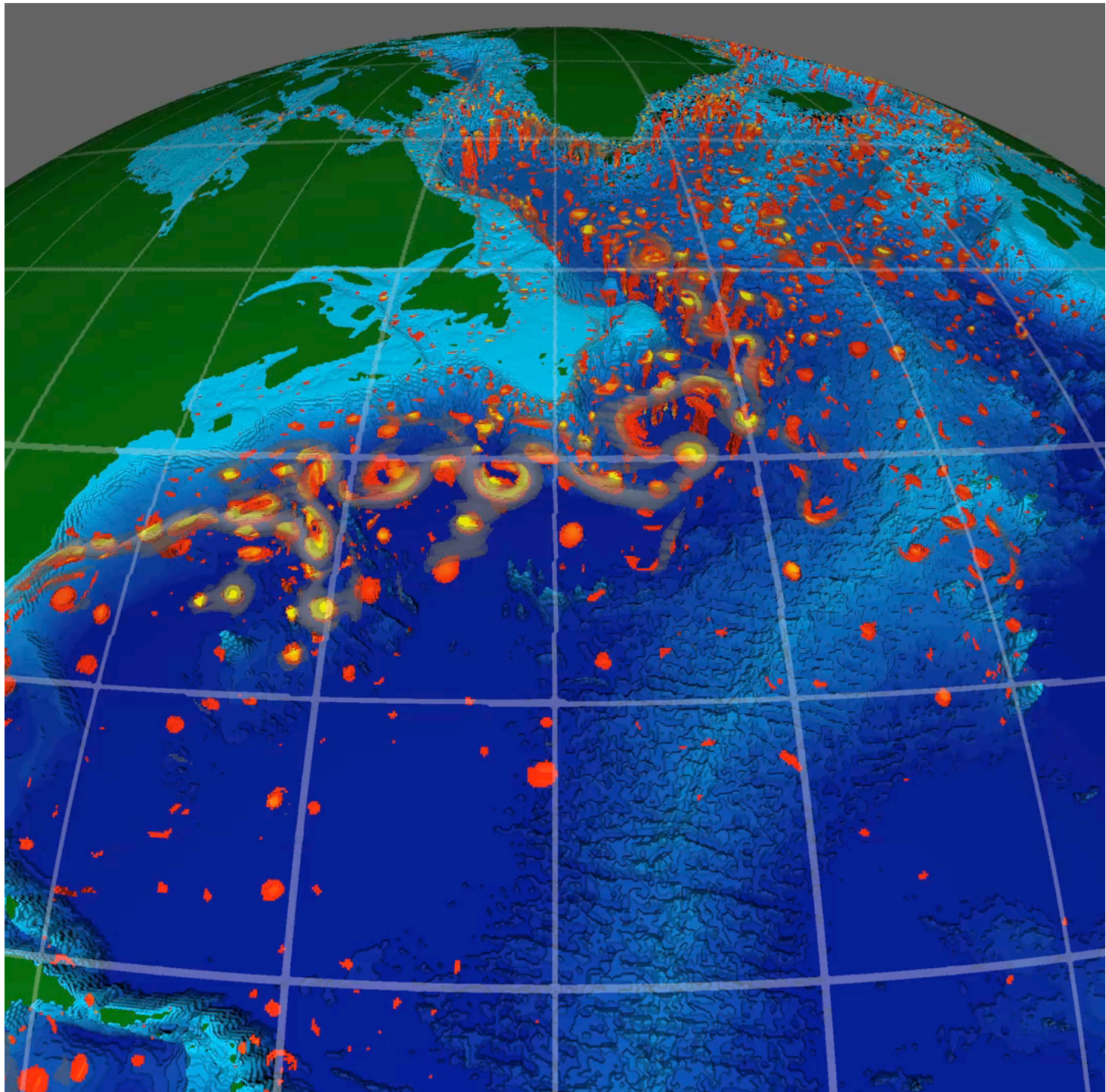
Prefix	Mega	Giga	Tera	Peta	Exa
$10^n$	$10^6$	$10^9$	$10^{12}$	$10^{15}$	$10^{18}$
Technology	Displays, networks		Data sizes and machines		

# A “Middle Way” between:

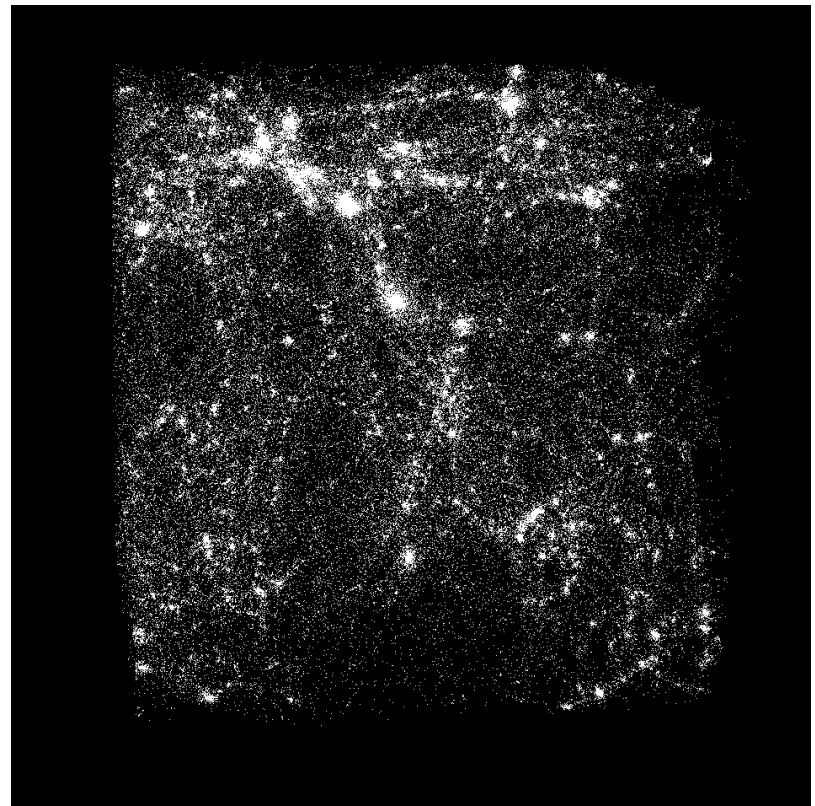
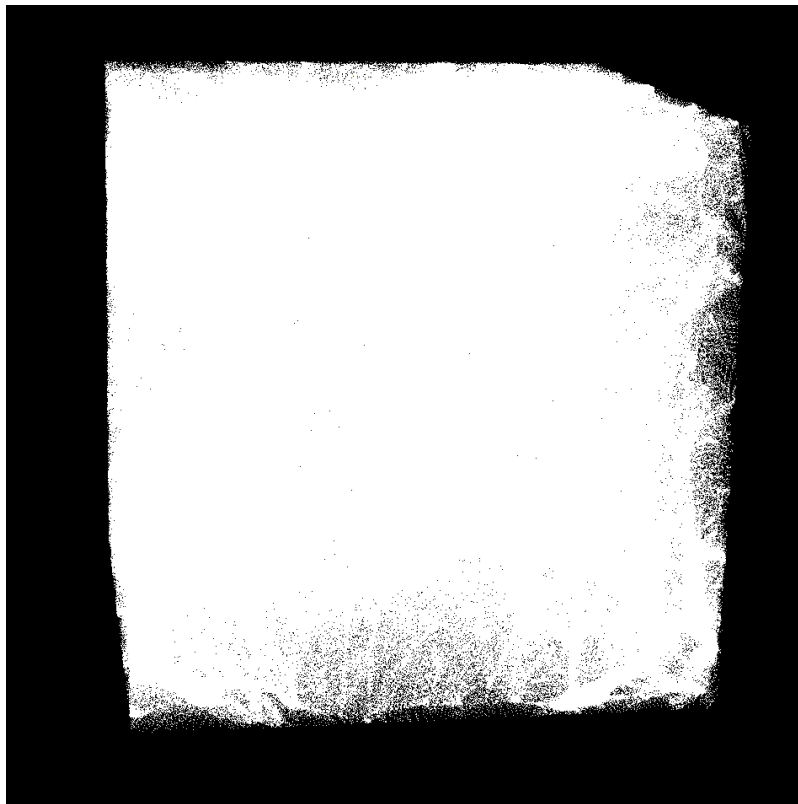
- Numerically-intensive / HPC approach
  - Massive FLOPS
    - Top 500 list – 1999 Terascale, 2009 Petascale, 2019? Exascale
    - Roadrunner – First petaflop supercomputer – Opteron, Cell
- Data-intensive supercomputing (DISC) approach
  - Massive data
- We are exploring it by necessity for interactive scientific visualization of massive data
  - DISC using a traditional HPC platform







# Multi-Resolution Sampling



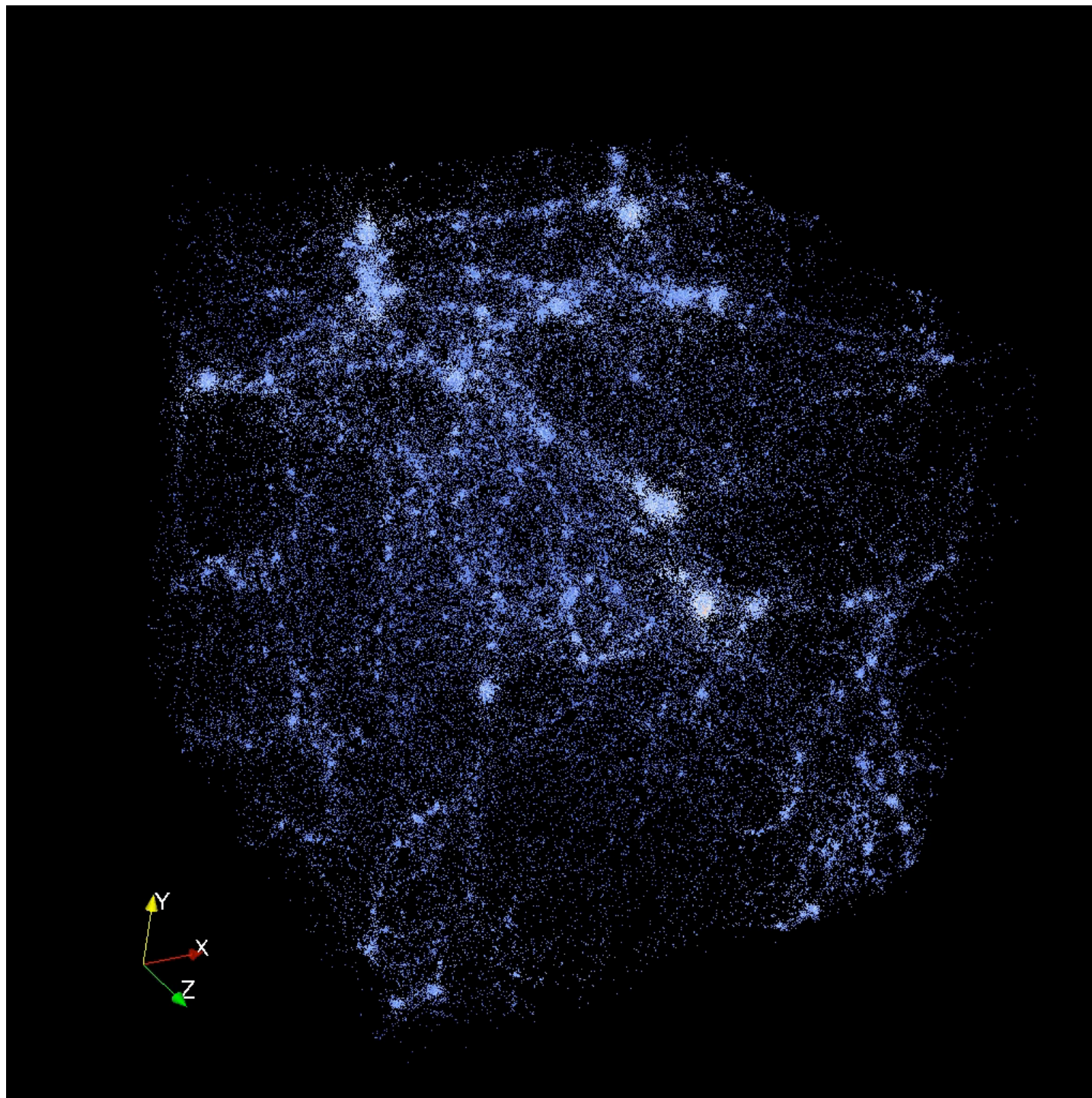
# Sampling

- In-situ & storage-based sampling-based data reduction
  - Can work with all data types (structured, unstructured, particle) and most algorithms with little modification
- Intelligent sampling designs to provide more information in less data
  - Little or no processing with simpler sampling strategies (e.g., pure random)
- Untransformed data with error bounds
  - Data in the raw; Ease concerns on unknown transformations/alterations
  - Probabilistic data source as a first-class citizen in visualization and analysis

# Sampling

- Quantify the data error for analysis, quantify visual error for vis
  - Show the data error, allow the user to reduce error incrementally
  - Scientist is always informed of the error in their current view
- Data size scales with sample size for bottlenecks
  - Any sample sizes based on error constraints and system/human constraints
  - Same model could be used in simulations to reduce data output per time step







# Conclusions

- There are many opportunities for supercomputing in the field of biosurveillance

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